Dear Parents,

I have been into both Ruby and Amethyst classes this morning and talked with the children about what they should do if they receive anything online, which they know is inappropriate or makes them feel upset or uncomfortable. They were all able to tell me that they would “tell an adult.” The children have been taught this continuously through our Online Safety teaching, throughout their time in primary school.

It has been brought to my attention this morning that some children in Ruby and Amethyst have received a clip via Whatsapp with inappropriate, upsetting content, which they have then forwarded on to others in their class. This was not an isolated incident and several children have been involved. However the point of this letter is not to point a finger at who has forwarded the clip, but to ask parents to closely monitor the use of phones and tablets, especially if children have access to Whatsapp, Snapchat, Facebook, Youtube or any other social media.

It is thanks to the parents who have been vigilant in monitoring their child’s use that this has been brought to our attention and we have been able to remind children of how to stay safe online.

Thank you, as always, for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Kim Buxton
Headteacher